House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 28 public bills, H.R. 6225–6252; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 98; H. Con. Res. 487–488; and H. Res. 1055–1059 were introduced. Pages H7900–02

Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H7902-03

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 4857, to better inform consumers regarding costs associated with compliance for protecting endangered and threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (H. Rept. 109–693);

H.R. 512, to require the prompt review by the Secretary of the Interior of the longstanding petitions for Federal recognition of certain Indian tribes (H. Rept. 109–694);

H.R. 6143, to amend title XXVI of the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the program for providing life-saving care for those with HIV/AIDS (H. Rept. 109–695);

H. Res. 1052, providing for consideration of H.R. 5825, to update the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (H. Rept. 109–696);

H.R. 5851, to reauthorize the programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development for housing assistance for Native Hawaiians (H. Rept. 109–697);

H.R. 1674, to authorize and strengthen the tsunami detection, forecast, warning, and mitigation program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to be carried out by the National Weather Service, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–698);

Conference report on H.R. 5441, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 (H. Rept. 109–699);

H. Res. 1053, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 109–700); and

H. Res. 1054, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 5441, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007 and providing for consideration of S. 3930, to authorize trial by military commission for violations of the law of war and consideration of H.R. 4772, to simplify and expedite access to the Federal courts for injured parties whose rights and privileges under the United States Constitution have been deprived by final actions of Federal agencies or other government

officials or entities acting under color of State law (H. Rept. 109–701). Pages H7784–H7848, H7900

Discharge Petition: Representative Kennedy of Rhode Island moved to discharge the Committees on Education and the Workforce and Energy and Commerce from the consideration of H.R. 1402, to provide for equal coverage of mental health benefits with respect to health insurance coverage unless comparable limitations are imposed on medical and surgical benefits (Discharge Petition No. 18).

Rule for consideration of suspensions: The House agreed to H. Res. 1045, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules, by voice vote, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 223 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 495.

Pages H7680-85, H7693-94

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Holding the current regime in Iran accountable for its threatening behavior and to support a transition to democracy in Iran: H.R. 6198, amended, to hold the current regime in Iran accountable for its threatening behavior and to support a transition to democracy in Iran;

Pages H7695–H7706

Secure Border Initiative Financial Accountability Act of 2006: H.R. 6162, to require financial accountability with respect to certain contract actions related to the Secure Border Initiative of the Department of Homeland Security; Pages H7706–10

Children's Hospital GME Support Reauthorization Act of 2006: H.R. 5574, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize support for graduate medical education programs in children's hospitals. The House concur in Senate amendment—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H7710-12

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act of 2006: H.R. 6143, amended, to amend title XXVI of the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the program for providing lifesaving care for those with HIV/AIDS, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 325 yeas to 98 nays, Roll No. 503;

Pages H7712-35, H7876-77

Fort McDowell Indian Community Water Rights Settlement Revision Act of 2006: S. 2464, to revise a provision relating to a repayment obligation of the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation under the Fort McDowell Indian Community Water Rights Settlement Act of 1990—clearing the measure for the President;

Pages H7735–36

Amending the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Los Angeles County Water Supply Augmentation Demonstration Project: H.R. 4545, amended, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Los Angeles County Water Supply Augmentation Demonstration Project; Pages H7736-37

Authorizing a grant for contributions toward the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library: H.R. 4846, amended, to authorize a grant for contributions toward the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library;

Pages H7737-38

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To authorize grants for contributions toward the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library.".

Page H7738

Extending relocation expenses test programs for Federal employees: S. 2146, to extend relocation expenses test programs for Federal employees—clearing the measure for the President; Pages H7738–39

Supporting the goals and ideals of Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month: H. Con. Res. 473, to support the goals and ideals of Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month;

Pages H7739-40

Supporting the goals and ideals of Infant Mortality Awareness Month: H. Res. 402, amended, to support the goals and ideals of Infant Mortality Awareness Month;

Pages H7740-41

Recognizing the 225th anniversary of the American and French victory at Yorktown, Virginia, during the Revolutionary War: H. Res. 748, to recognize the 225th anniversary of the American and French victory at Yorktown, Virginia, during the Revolutionary War;

Pages H7741-42

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day: H. Con. Res. 222, amended, to support the goals and ideals of National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day;

Pages H7742-43

Congratulating the Columbus Northern Little League Baseball Team from Columbus, Georgia, on its victory in the 2006 Little League World Series Championship games: H. Res. 991, to congratulate the Columbus Northern Little League Baseball Team from Columbus, Georgia, on its victory in the 2006 Little League World Series Championship games; Pages H7744-45

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1213 East Houston Street in Cleveland, Texas, as the "Lance Corporal Robert A. Martinez Post Office Building": H.R. 5108, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1213 East Houston Street in Cleveland, Texas, as the "Lance Corporal Robert A. Martinez Post Office Building"; Pages H7745-46

Amending the Older American Act of 1965 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2007 through 2011: H.R. 6197, to amend the Older American Act of 1965 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2007 through 2011; Pages H7746-70

Establishing a pilot program in certain United States district courts to encourage enhancement of expertise in patent cases among district judges: H.R. 5418, amended, to establish a pilot program in certain United States district courts to encourage enhancement of expertise in patent cases among district judges; Pages H7851-53

Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2006: H.R. 5681, amended, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal year 2007; Pages H7877-86

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 East Gay Street in West Chester, Pennsylvania, as the "Robert J. Thompson Post Office Building": H.R. 6075, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 East Gay Street in West Chester, Pennsylvania, as the "Robert J. Thompson Post Office Building"; Pages H7886-87

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 307 West Wheat Street in Woodville, Texas, as the "Chuck Fortenberry Post Office Building": H.R. 6078, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 307 West Wheat Street in Woodville, Texas, as the "Chuck Fortenberry Post Office Building";

Pages H7887-88

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 Gateway Drive in Lincoln, California, as the "Beverly J. Wilson Post Office Building": H.R. 4720, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 Gateway Drive in Lincoln, California, as the "Beverly J. Wilson Post Office Building"; Pages H7888-89

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 216 Oak Street in Farmington, Minnesota, as the "Hamilton H. Judson Post Office": H.R. 6151, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 216 Oak Street in Farmington, Minnesota, as the "Hamilton H. Judson Post Office"; Page H7889

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 Palafox Place in Pensacola, Florida, as the "Vincent J. Whibbs, Sr. Post Office Building": 5736, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 Palafox Place in Pensacola, Florida, as the "Vincent J. Whibbs, Sr. Post Office Building"; Pages H7889-90

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 950 Missouri Avenue in East St. Louis, Illinois, as the "Katherine Dunham Post Office Building": H.R. 5929, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 950 Missouri Avenue in East St. Louis, Illinois, as the "Katherine Dunham Post Office Building";

Pages H7890-91

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 167 East 124th Street in New York, New York, as the "Tito Puente Post Office Building": H.R. 1472, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 167 East 124th Street in New York, New York, as the "Tito Puente Post Office Building"; Page H7891

Recognizing Financial Planning Week, recognizing the significant impact of sound financial planning on achieving life's goals, and honoring families and the financial planning profession for their adherence and dedication to the financial planning process: H. Res. 973, amended, to recognize Financial Planning Week, recognizing the significant impact of sound financial planning on achieving life's goals, and honoring families and the financial planning profession for their adherence and dedication to the financial planning process;

Pages H7891-94

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10240 Roosevelt Road in Westchester, Illinois, as the "John J. Sinde Post Office Building": H.R. 5989, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10240 Roosevelt Road in Westchester, Illinois, as the "John J. Sinde Post Office Building"; Page H7894

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 415 South 5th Avenue in Maywood, Illinois, as the "Wallace W. Sykes Post Office Building": H.R. 5990, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 415 South 5th Avenue in Maywood, Illinois, as the "Wallace W. Sykes Post Office Building";

Pages H7894-99

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2951 New York Highway 43 in Averill Park, New York, as the "Major George Quamo Post Office Building": S. 3613, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2951 New York Highway 43 in Averill Park, New York, as the "Major George Quamo Post Office Building"—clearing the measure for the President; and

Page H7895

Designating the Post Office located at 5755 Post Road, East Greenwich, Rhode Island, as the "Richard L. Cevoli Post Office": S. 3187, to designate the Post Office located at 5755 Post Road, East Greenwich, Rhode Island, as the "Richard L. Cevoli Post Office"—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H7895-96

Security and Accountability for Every Port Act or the SAFE Port Act—Motion To Go to Conference: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment and agreed to a conference on H.R. 4954, to improve maritime and cargo security through enhanced layered defenses.

Pages H7770–84, H7850–51

Agreed to the Thompson of Mississippi motion to instruct conferees by a yea-and-nay vote of 281 yeas to 140 nays, Roll No. 500. Pages H7771-75, H7850

Appointed as conferees: From the Committee on Homeland Security, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. King of New York, Young of Alaska, Daniel E. Lungren of California, Linder, Simmons, McCaul of Texas, Reichert, Thompson of Mississippi, Ms. Loretta Sanchez of California, Mr. Markey, Ms. Harman, and Mr. Pascrell;

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of Titles VI and X and sec. 1104 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. Barton of Texas, Upton, and Dingell;

Page H7850

From the Committee on Science, for consideration of secs. 201 and 401 of the House bill, and secs. 111, 121, 302, 303, 305, 513, 607, 608, 706, 801, 802, and 1107 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. Boehlert, Sodrel, and Melancon;

Page H7850

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of secs. 101–104, 107–109, and 204 of the House bill, and secs. 101–104, 106–108, 111, 202, 232, 234, 235, 503, 507–512, 514, 517–519, Title VI, secs. 703, 902, 905, 906, 1103, 1104, 1107–1110, 1114, and 1115 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. LoBiondo, Shuster, and Oberstar; and

From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of secs. 102, 121, 201, 203 and 301 of the House bill, and secs. 201, 203, 304, 401–404, 407, and 1105 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. Thomas, Shaw, and Rangel.

Page H7851

Electronic Surveillance Modernization Act: The House passed H.R. 5825, to update the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, by a yea-and-nay vote of 232 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 502.

Pages H7853-76

Rejected the Schiff motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 202 yeas to 221 nays, Roll No. 501.

Pages H7872-75

Pursuant to the rule, in lieu of the amendments in the nature of a substitute as reported by the Committee on the Judiciary and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in this report shall be considered as adopted.

Page H7775

Agreed to H. Res. 1046, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to the same day consideration of certain resolutions reported by the Rules Committee, by a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 191 noes, Roll No. 497, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 223 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 496.

Pages H7685-93, H7694-95

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill to reflect the actions of the House.

Page H7876

H. Res. 1052, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 199 noes, Roll No. 499, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 498.

Pages H7775-84, H7849-50

Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance—Reappointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's reappointment of Mr. Robert Shireman of Oakland, California, to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance for a three-year term effective October 1, 2006.

Page H7877

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H7677 and H7851.

Senate Referrals: S. 2250 was referred to the Committee on Financial Services; and S. 2491 and S. 3930 were held at the desk.

Page H7898

Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H7693, H7694, H7694–95, H7784, H7849–50, H7850, H7875, H7875–76, and H7876–77.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EPA PESTICIDE PROGRAM REVIEW

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development, and Research held a hearing to review the EPA pesticide program. Testimony was heard from James B. Gulliford, Assistant Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances, EPA; and public witnesses.

SECURITY GUARD UNIONIZATION AND NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing entitled "Examining Whether Combining Guards and Other Employees in Bargaining Units Would Weaken National Security." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MEDICARE PHYSICIAN PAYMENTS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Medicare Physician Payments: 2007 and Beyond." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HEWLETT-PACKARD PRETEXTING SCANDAL

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled "Hewlett-Packard's Pretexting Scandal." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Hewlett-Packard Company: Mark Hurd, President, Chief Executive Officer, and Chairman of the Board; and Fred Adler, IT Security Investigations; Patricia Dunn, former Chairman of the Board, Hewlett-Packard Company; Larry W. Sonsini, Chairman, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich and Rosati.

In refusing to give testimony at this hearing, the following individuals: Ann Baskins; Kevin T. Hunsaker; Anthony Gentilucci, Ronald DeLia; Joe Depante, Cassandra Selvage; Darren Brost, Valerie Preston, Bryan Wagner and Charles Kelly, invoked Fifth Amendment privileges.

IMPROVING FINANCIAL LITERACY/ PRIVATE SECTOR COORDINATION

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled "Improving Financial Literacy: Working Together To Develop Private Sector Coordination and Solutions." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

IRAQ RECONSTRUCTION CONTRACTING

Committee on Government Reform: Held a hearing entitled "Acquisition Under Duress: Reconstruction Contracting in Iraq." Testimony was heard from